

Red Cross Workers of Orange County!

Between now and March 1, we are asked to make 1,100 refugee garments for the French and Belgians. Every woman who appreciates what these stricken people have done for us will report for duty at once, at the local Red Cross Rooms.

SOUTH RYEGATE

Roy James White, who died of pneumonia resulting from influenza on Monday at the home of George Steele, was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White, and since the death of his father, the main dependence of his mother. He was 27 years of age, a young man of quiet ways and faithful industry, whose life and character were above reproach. He leaves, besides his mother, seven sisters and one brother, who have the sympathy of all.

Mrs. F. J. Doe, who fell a victim to influenza and lived less than a week, was before her marriage to Mr. Doe six years ago, Miss Carrie Gray, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Gray, and her life had been lived in this village. She served the U. P. church as organist for a number of years most acceptably. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. T. Bailey and she was laid to rest beside her little son, who was buried last spring.

The list of influenza patients this week is larger than it has been at any one time since the epidemic first appeared. It includes Miss Ruth Ingraham, Miss Bertha Ramsey, Mrs. L. E. Whitehill, Mrs. J. C. Renfrew, Clifford Hart, Earl Armstrong, Dana Bailey, John D. McAllister, John A. McAllister, Earl Wallace, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Guernieri.

Ira Currier, whose physical and mental qualities have been greatly weakened by several shocks, was taken to the state hospital at Waterbury Friday. F. S. Gray accompanied him.

James Eastman, jr., of the limekiln district, was married last Saturday to Miss Ruby Rowe of Peacham. They will live on a farm recently purchased by Mr. Eastman near that of his father.

Miss A. L. Hunter of Lyndonville, who is employed as a stenographer by the state board of education, made a brief visit Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Libby on her way from Montpelier.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Brown came from Springfield, Mass., Friday to attend the funeral of Ernest Ingram.

Percy Cowie of Bangor, Me., visited friends in town Wednesday. He is now serving in the quartermaster's department of the U. S. army.

Ernest Ingram, who had been sick only four days, passed away Thursday morning. A well known figure about town and a granite cutter since boyhood, he will be greatly missed by his friends and companions, as well as by his family, consisting of wife and three children, George, Evelyn and Stanley, who are thus suddenly bereaved. He was 35 years of age and had lived in South Ryegate since his marriage some 14 years ago. The funeral was held at the home Saturday.

M. F. Donald was confined to the house by illness last week.

MARSHFIELD

The ladies are requested to meet at the Red Cross room next Thursday afternoon, Jan. 23, to commence work on refugee garments.

The great Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Carver.

M. C. Ide of Montpelier was a recent visitor in town.

All who are knitting socks for the Red Cross are requested to bring or send them in as soon as possible, so that they can be forwarded and the work closed up.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hall got her finger caught in the awning last Monday and quite badly hurt.

Mrs. C. E. Thwing was a visitor in Barre last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Fred Shontelle and son, Lewis, of Moretown, are the guests of his mother, Mrs. Lillian Ward.

Mrs. E. V. Spencer, Mrs. L. D. Nute, Mrs. A. A. Swerdloff, Mrs. A. T. Davis and Miss Ruby Davis attended the musical convention at East Montpelier on Thursday and Friday.

The local branch of the Red Cross has just received \$60.40 as their share of the proceeds of the Christmas drive for membership, 141 members having been secured.

Fred Brown has purchased A. E. Lamberton's farm, formerly known as the Eddy farm.

Stanley Lyndes has recently returned to Montpelier seminary to take up some special work. He graduated last June from the art course.

The ladies will meet with Mrs. H. C. Hollister next Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 22. This is the first meeting of the year and a full attendance is desired.

Doris Ketchum was run into and knocked down by a sled, while coating Friday afternoon and was rendered unconscious for a time. She was taken home by F. M. Newton and has recovered without any serious injury.

During the next few days you will be visited by a solicitor in behalf of the starving population in the near East. The town's quota in this national drive is \$100. Let us strive not only to meet it, but to go far over the top. Shall we let these people starve while we feast?

PLAINFIELD

To correct errors in the edition of Jan. 14 in regard to the installation of Rebekah officers, it is stated that Sister Jewett of Fraternity lodge, No. 50, acted as grand marshal, and that Mary Page is right supporter of the vice-grand, instead of the noble grand; also that there were no members taken in by card at that time, as was reported.

"Inexplicable."

Coburn News—"After a long illness Mr. Philip Brown passed away on Monday to the inexpressible grief of his family."—Boston Transcript.

BETHEL

F. E. Rogers filled his icehouse at Lake Ansel last week with 450 tons of an especially fine product, 15 inches thick and much clearer than usual. Owing to poor sledding the icehouse at the village was not filled.

C. E. Clavin carried the basketball team, seven in all, to Woodstock by way of Barnard Jan. 17, in his Cadillac car. The trip was made both ways without an accident or a delay. This is a record in this locality. Mr. Clavin made his star route trip to Rochester and return, 38 miles, yesterday with the same car.

The high school basketball team met defeat at Woodstock last Friday evening, 66 to 25.

Mrs. F. A. Marsh and Mrs. E. P. Fisher were guests last week of Mrs. H. C. Scoville in Rochester.

George Root was home over Sunday from Bellows Falls. He was accompanied by his friend, Herbert Merrill.

Arthur Come has taken a tenement in T. J. Laver's house on North Main street.

Charles Preston is ill with pneumonia at A. H. Spooner's, where he boards, and yesterday his condition was pronounced critical. His son, Ralph Preston of Bridgewater, is with him.

Miss Agnes Preston was taken to the sanatorium yesterday and was expected to be operated on to-day for appendicitis.

G. H. Emery is employed at A. A. Fisk's livery stable.

Mrs. Arthur R. Newell, whose husband is a soldier in France, died Saturday morning at her home in Short Falls, N. H., after a brief illness with pneumonia. She was 30 years old and is survived by a daughter eight years old. She had spent some time in town on two occasions at the home of her husband's mother, Mrs. Henry W. Davis. The funeral was held to-day at Short Falls.

Mrs. B. H. Benedict has been working as a nurse at the Randolph sanatorium.

Carl Washburn is recovering slowly from a critical operation at the sanatorium, being able to take a few steps.

WAITSFIELD

Miss Letta Marshall arrived in town on Monday for a week's stay with relatives and friends.

Everyone is expected to plan for the dinner at the Congregational church on Wednesday noon, Jan. 22.

Latest news from John Colbrook is that he is with the occupation army at Bernskale, Germany.

Walter Gaylord has received his discharge from the service and is on his way to Massachusetts, where he will visit relatives previous to returning to his home here.

A letter from Private Roy Bragg has brought the happy news that he was expected to sail for America any day, doubtless with the home-coming boys on Jan. 20.

Miss Blanche McAllister is spending a week or 10 days in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. Vern Pierce is sick with appendicitis, and an operation, it is feared, will be necessary.

Prof. Jenks of U. V. M.; H. O. Hutchins, successor to C. M. Hill; and Miss Hamard, of the state home economics department at U. V. M., were all in town visiting the junior-senior high school on Thursday.

Theo Higley was operated on at Heaton hospital Thursday for an abscess on his knee, resulting from influenza.

John McLaughlin was in Montpelier on Friday and carried Mrs. John Bisbee and Myrtle Pratt Powers. Mrs. Powers appeared in county court, where her case for a divorce is in process.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Straw are the parents of a daughter, born Thursday, Jan. 9.

Thomas Newnam and Mr. Dowie have purchased the farm where Rev. Mr. Perry has been living.

Rev. Mr. Perry has gone to Maine, where he will preach during the winter. Mrs. Perry has moved to the Bill Howe place, which Mr. Perry has purchased.

The officers of Maple Rebekah lodge for the coming year are as follows: N. G. M., Ellen Place; V. G. M., Mrs. G. W. Wallis; secretary, Mrs. W. J. Palmer; treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Baird.

Everett Wallis has returned to U. V. M.

Harold Wallis is regularly discharged from the service and is at home here awaiting one of several positions that he is hoping to obtain.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs held a public installation of officers and sister supper on Thursday evening at the Odd Fellows' hall. R. H. Downer acted as district deputy grand master, G. W. Wallis as grand marshal, Mrs. Kate Smith of Montpelier as district deputy president, and Mrs. Persons of Montpelier as grand marshal for the Rebekahs. Among those from out of town who attended were Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Eaton and Lynn Jones and wife of Middlebury, George Grandfield and wife of Fayston, and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ferris of Moretown.

The Rebekahs and Odd Fellows will open their meetings during the coming year promptly at 8 o'clock. Will members please bear this in mind and help their officers in carrying out this measure?

BELLANS
FOR INDIGESTION
6 BELLANS
Hot Water
Sure Relief

RANDOLPH

Wesley Gates and Mrs. Charles Fish Died Saturday and Friday Respectively.

Wesley Gates, who for the last few days has been critically ill at the sanatorium with pneumonia, died on Saturday forenoon from the disease. Mr. Gates was taken ill when on a business trip to Granville, but came home afterwards, and from that time had a very high temperature and was seriously ill, and his condition from the first caused much anxiety. Deceased was 19 years of age, the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Gates, who formerly lived on the Rowell Addition, but later went to live on a farm in Brimfield. He is survived by his parents, one sister and one brother, as it is understood. He was a young man of much promise and his death is a heavy affliction to his parents.

At the sanatorium on Friday night the death of Mrs. Charles Fish occurred, following an operation for appendicitis, which revealed an intestinal trouble. The condition in this case was serious from the beginning, but a second operation, it is understood, was held as the only alternative, but this also brought no relief. Mrs. Fish was Eva Carey, the daughter of Orville Carey, who lives in town, her mother having died several years ago. Deceased leaves a child about two years of age, her husband, father, and sister, besides other relatives.

The influenza conditions in town have not improved in the last few days, but each day there have been additional cases reported. On Saturday night there had been reported to the health officer, 107 cases in the village, and 166 including the town. A close quarantine is placed upon the churches, schools, places of amusement, and quiet prevails on the streets generally. The parish house has been converted into an emergency hospital, with competent nurses in charge to direct the volunteer nurses, who are in attendance. More than two-thirds of the inmates of the dormitory at the Center are ill with the disease, and it was thought Saturday that some would have to be taken here for care, as there was no help to be found. Whole families who live in small quarters and are in a deplorable condition when well are now down with it, and the children have been taken away from the homes to the parish house for care. The schools will not open till further notice and no one can tell when the trouble will be over. Thus far the disease has not proved as severe as the first time the epidemic appeared, and all are now thought to be doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Washburn, who were here on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen, went to Rochester on Saturday, where they are to remain for the present.

Miss Frances Hebard, a teacher in St. Johnsbury, who has been in town with relatives for the two weeks' vacation, returned on Saturday, having learned that the schools which had been closed in St. Johnsbury, would be opened on Monday.

The funeral of the late Harold Thompson was held from the home of his mother, Mrs. Clara Prince, on Saturday afternoon, Rev. Fraser Metzger officiating and interment was in the Granite lot at the Randolph Center cemetery. Many friends were present, and also delegates from the Warren Odd Fellows lodge, of which he was a member.

Richard Grant of Rutland was in town on Saturday to pass a short time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Grant.

"Joe" Bean and "Reddy" Cantlin, who have been overseas in service, have received their discharge and are in town for the present. Charles Tucker, who has also his discharge, arrived here on Saturday to remain with friends for some time.

Mrs. Florence Bridges, who has been in Boston, has been called home to assist her mother, Mrs. James Omer.

Gerald Roper of the U. S. navy, who has been passing his furlough here with his family, will leave this week for Norfolk, Va., where he is at the present stationed.

Ray Harlow, after passing two weeks with his sister, Mrs. A. Chadwick, left here Saturday for his home in Windford.

Mrs. E. F. Briggs, who has been very ill with the grip, is now somewhat better, with a reasonable hope of recovery. She is being taken care of by Mrs. Fanny Vinton of East Granville.

NORTH MONTEPIER

Miss Beatrice Donquette and Miss Margaret McDonald spent Sunday at their home in Granville.

Mrs. F. S. Little, Miss Maud Templeton and Miss Bessie Maud Templeton were in Montpelier Tuesday.

Mr. Powell has finished work for the Little Woolen company and has returned to his home in North Adams, Mass.

Mrs. J. C. Byron was a business visitor in Plainfield Monday.

Mrs. E. C. Hillis and Mrs. F. S. Little drove to Montpelier Wednesday.

Mrs. Theo Clark has been having an attack of asthma.

J. W. Butterfield and his daughter, Mrs. Conant, were in Montpelier Wednesday.

Archie Persons and Dennis Gray went to Barre Wednesday on business.

Walter Little and Lewis Chandler were business visitors in Barre Wednesday.

Miss Alice McKinstry has been on the sick list.

Mrs. Currier and three daughters were in Montpelier over Sunday.

Joe Martin has been confined to the house the past week with a cold.

Two big loads from the village attended the musical convention at East Montpelier Friday evening, everyone having a fine time.

GRANITEVILLE

Norman McLeay and son have a new milk route and will deliver milk of good quality for 10 cents a quart. Mr. McLeay has placed in the Granite Savings bank of Barre \$100 as a guarantee that he will continue this delivery one year.

Mrs. Margaret Smith of West Topsham spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Adelard Rouse.

Byron McLeod of Barre spent Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McLeod.

Napoleon Isabelle and Michael Lessard, who recently arrived from service overseas, are at their homes.

Miss Dora Campbell has gone to Hartford, Conn., where she expects to be employed.

A quilt given by Mrs. W. W. Belleville was disposed of by the ladies of the Red Cross Friday evening, the sum of \$20.20 being realized on it. The proceeds from the supper held that same evening will be announced later.

F. M. Flynn of West Topsham was a business visitor here Saturday.

Regular meeting of branch No. 12, Q. W. L. U. of N. A., meets in Miles' hall Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 7:30 o'clock. A good attendance is desired. Per order Sec. J. H. Coxon.

ARE YOU PAST MIDDLE AGE?

Then You Need the Help That This New Hampshire Woman Recommends.

Elderly people are especially susceptible to quick changes of temperature and need a tonic to keep the system toned up to resist disease. When the blood is rich and the nerves are well nourished, digestion is aided and the body is strengthened to fight off the grip, rheumatism, lumbago, neuralgia, and sciatica.

You cannot keep the germs of influenza and other contagious diseases out of your system, but you can keep the fighting force of your body in condition to meet and defeat the invading germs. These fighting units are the red corpuscles in your blood, and it is a scientific fact that their number can be increased by a blood-making tonic.

"I suffered from rheumatism for many years," says Mrs. D. J. Babbitt, of No. 72 Bank street, Lebanon, N. H. "My arms and legs were affected, and I couldn't use them. I was unable to sleep at night, and any excitement upset me. I tried many treatments and I was finally told that I would never get well."

"My mother, years ago, had used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a general tonic with great success. I decided to give them a trial and took four boxes for a period of two months and obtained relief for the first time in years. I am now able to do my own work, and I feel better than I have in years. I am gladly recommending Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to my friends, for the remedy helped me wonderfully."

When the blood lacks red corpuscles, a course of treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cause them to increase. This can be demonstrated by a microscopic examination, or anyone can prove it by looking in a mirror, for an increase in red blood shows quickly in the cheeks and especially in the lining membranes of the eyelids.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists or direct from the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y., on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes \$2.50. Write for free booklet, "Building Up the Blood."—Adv.

ROCHESTER

Mrs. A. P. Wade has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Frank Bennett.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Holden Jan. 7.

Richard Hubbard and family of Talcott have all been ill with the grip, also Mrs. Clara Parmenter and daughter, Bernice, and many others.

A surprise party was given at the Universalist vestry Saturday evening for the pastor and his wife. Music, recitations and games were in order and refreshments were served. Many useful articles were donated and the pastor's family will be well stocked for some time to come.

George Clark is moving to a farm in Stockbridge, recently purchased of Andrew Harrington.

W. G. Brooks is a victim of the prevailing distemper.

Almon Goodno has been detained from his duties as representative at Montpelier by the grip.

Mrs. C. E. Merriam, who has been quite ill, is now about the house and the nurse, Miss Torison, has returned home.

Frank Kennedy is at home from Newport, R. I., on a furlough and, with his wife, is visiting at the home of his uncle, F. O. Kennedy.

W. D. Hodgkins was at home from Randolph for a few days recently.

HANCOCK

Mrs. Fred Andrews and six children are ill with the grip, also Mrs. Charles Roberts and two children.

Leonard Marsh has been discharged from the service and is at his home here.

Lyman Beckwith is ill at the home of George Beckwith.

Miss Hazel Hanks of Rochester is at work at George Farr's.

Mrs. Adelaide Hubbard, who has been ill at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Lloyd Church, is somewhat better.

Under the new schedule, the Rochester stage will leave Hancock at 11 a. m. and arrive at 6 p. m. The Brimfield stage leaves at 6 a. m. and arrives at 6 p. m.

Misses Beatrice Manning, Charlotte and Ruth Goodyear and Frances Andrews have been obliged to leave school at Rochester on account of illness.

District Superintendent William Shaw of St. Albans spoke at the church Sunday at 2 p. m.

Little Phyllis Clook, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Mrs. Robert Clavin is working at Alex. Shampney's, where the whole family is ill with the grip.

Cleveland Has Service Department.

The war work department of the Y. W. C. A. of Cleveland, O., organized to supervise the making of surgical dressings and war supplies while hostilities continued, has become a permanent body which is to be called the "service department." This organization is now turning its attention to furnishing supplies to such agencies as day nurseries, maternity hospitals, permanent Red Cross work centers, and the like.

This same association has just added to its educational section a department for instruction and practice in dramatic art. Classes in dramatics, elocution, public speaking and posture will help to prepare girls for dramatic work. A number of plays and operettas will be given during the year. Needless to say, the class is a success.

His Best Throw.

"What was the best throw you ever made with the dice?"

"When I threw them away."—Boston Transcript.

Dinner Persiflage.

"Allow me to help you to a piece of Washington pie."

"No, thank you. I admire George's purity, perseverance and patriotism, but his pies I detest."—Boston Transcript.

LANE'S COLD & GRIP TABLETS
GUARANTEED

HARDWICK

The local basketball fans were greatly disappointed to learn last Friday afternoon that the game with Hyde Park academy was called off by the latter team on account of the flu in that town, but the fans have the game this week Friday evening, Jan. 24, to look forward to with a great deal of anticipation.

When the fast Montpelier high school quintet will play the return game here with the local academy.

The card party at the Knights of Columbus hall last Thursday evening, under the auspices of this organization, was attended by 140 people and there were 36 tables in use most of the evening for card playing and a social time. Dancing was indulged in following the card playing, the affair being a great success.

The success of this social has led to plans being made for a monster affair of the same nature for the benefit of the hospital to be held in the same place on the evening of Jan. 30.

Miss Carr seems to be the latest victim of the flu, but is not dangerously ill.

Last Saturday the street and sidewalk in the North Main street section of the village became so slippery that the village officers posted the hill, forbidding sliding thereon for the remainder of the winter. The young people have been granted a license to slide on Cherry street, west of South Main street, on Highland avenue and Slapp hill. The sliding has been exceptionally good this winter and no one wishes to deprive the youngsters of this great sport but when pedestrians' lives are in danger from the fast going sleds then something has to be done. There is a \$5 penalty attached to a breach of this law for sliding on streets or sidewalks unless licensed so to do.

Miss Vida Jacobs returned to her work as nurse in the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston last Saturday.

Mrs. G. B. Shipman was a visitor at the county seat last Saturday.

Karl I. Titus arrived home the latter part of last week from Camp Mills, Long Island, where he has been stationed for some time past. He has received his discharge from service.

R. H. Carriack was a visitor in Boston last week.

Mrs. M. G. Morse received the glad news Saturday afternoon that her husband had arrived safely in Newport News, Va. He probably will be home soon. He has been overseas in Y. M. C. A. work and has been in the very thick of the hottest fighting during the war and will have some interesting experiences to relate. He has also been quite ill and has lost 65 pounds in weight, or had a few weeks ago. We shall all be glad to welcome Melvin back home.

Mrs. W. W. Dutton was home from her work in St. Johnsbury over Sunday and the first of the week.

A Simple Primary Remedy.

A number of years and several sessions of the legislature were necessary to bring our Australian or secret ballot system in elections to its present satisfactory form. When we first tried it, many of us felt like casting it on the dump heap of discarded dreams. Even Senator George F. Edmunds, who journeyed from Washington to vote, was obliged to have assistance to use it understandingly. Repeal of Vermont's Australian ballot system to-day would cause a political revolution.

We have now applied precisely the same ballot principles to caucuses as to general elections. Because the system thrown at us by a hostile legislature is rejected does not work perfectly at the outset, some of us want to cast it out, root and branch. Such objectors remind us of the man, who having a fine apple tree that was diseased in one limb, cut it off near the ground to save it.

The only trouble with the primary as adopted in Vermont is that some of our people have insisted upon treating it as a general election instead of as a caucus.

Simply for the nomination of party candidates. We in accordance with this theory have provided that any man might vote in any way in any caucus he could enter. We have provided what is known as an "open caucus."

In this sort of a caucus or primary Republicans can help name Democratic candidates, or Democrats can nominate Republican candidates. Even Senator George F. Edmunds, who journeyed from Washington to vote, was obliged to have assistance to use it understandingly. Repeal of Vermont's Australian ballot system to-day would cause a political revolution.

If all legislators as well as all voters keep in mind that the primary is merely a nominating caucus, with the machinery provided for all parties simultaneously to save expense and time and trouble of separate primaries on different days, then going to a caucus would not be so difficult as it is now.

All you need to do is to translate that feeling into legislation.

In some other states separate registration days are provided so that voters shall enroll as Republicans or Democrats and have their votes provided for them at the primaries accordingly. Vermont is a small state and needs no such elaborate and expensive system.

Amend the primary law, as proposed in 1917, so that party tickets shall be separate. When a voter goes to a primary he says whether he wants to vote a Republican or Democratic ticket, and receives simply his party, state, county and town tickets for example and no others. He makes his choice between his own party candidates and in effect votes only in the caucus in which he belongs.

When Vermont's primary law is amended as suggested, it will be the simplest, least expensive and most workable primary system in the country. All the voters then will continue to help select their own candidates for office, and not depend upon packed caucuses or aided convention delegates as of old. Give Vermont's primary law a fair test. Give government of the people in the Green Mountain state fair play.—Burlington Free Press.

How is it with you?

Are you paying too much for your whistling? Or are there some 1919 War Savings Stamps in your life? Franklin's picture is on them; his ideas are back of them.